

## DROP SUBMARINES, SENTIMENT SINCE CHARGES APPEARED

Naval Affairs Committee May Decide to Substitute Larger Craft.

Witnesses Subpoenaed to Appear Before Committee Conducting Inquiry.

That the entire program for the increase of the efficiency of the United States navy may be radically changed as a result of the Lilley charges of corruption by Congress by a submarine boat company, and that not one cent may be appropriated for submarines, as the pending naval appropriation bill, were facts developed at the Capitol yesterday.

Surprising as it may appear, it was discovered that there is now a pronounced sentiment among the members of the Naval Affairs Committee against the bill making any provision for submarines, although the measure, as previously agreed on a few days before the Lilley investigation began, appropriated money for eight submarines.

Against Submarines Now. This new sentiment on submarines may be clinched and made effective by the testimony that will be given this week before the special investigating committee, now probing the Lilley charges, by Secretary of the Navy Metcalf and the submarine experts of the Navy Department. It is safe to say that the sentiment against the submarines started after the light of publicity was turned on them by the Lilley charges.

He declared that the boats as provided for are practically obsolete. They were to have been made by the Electric Boat Company and completed within eighteen months or two years. Speculation was rife in the House yesterday as to whether the proposed abolition of all provision for the submarines would result in adding a third battleship to the fleet provided for in the bill, or whether it would result in the authorization of one or two armored cruisers. It was thought that, of the two chances, it was more probable that the third battleship would be built.

Representative Boutell, chairman of the investigating committee, with two other members of that body, Stevens of Minnesota and Howard of California, called on Chairman Foss of the Naval Affairs Committee yesterday afternoon and secured from him all the papers and records of the committee bearing on the question of submarines and the incorporation in the naval bill of the money for eight of the craft. These papers, including hearings and communications from the Navy Department, will be used by the committee in connection with its examination of the witnesses on the submarine question this week.

Witnesses Subpoenaed. Chairman Boutell yesterday had the following men subpoenaed to testify before the committee tomorrow: Matthew C. Butler, former United States Senator from South Carolina; Marion Butler, former Senator from North Carolina; C. E. Creedy, E. W. Creedy, F. P. B. Sands, and C. S. McNeil.

The committee expects to meet twice a day every day this week if it is found that the evidence will require this number of sessions.

Lilley Explains Stand.

Lilley last night gave the following statement to the press:

"Mr. Boutell says that I told the Committee on Rules that I expected to prove that large sums of money were contributed to campaign funds of political parties in Congressional districts, but that before the investigating committee I said that I did not charge corruption of any member of the House. Now, it is well known that contributions to campaign funds heretofore have been the common practice, and are not legally corrupt.

"I do expect to prove, if the committee will give my attorneys an opportunity to do so, that the Electric Boat Company, through its agents, has contributed to campaign funds of both parties."

## RUSH TO EXCEPT LABOR FROM ANTI-TRUST LAW

Recent indications that Congress would amend the Sherman anti-trust law this session has led the labor champions in Congress to urge with renewed zeal an amendment excepting labor unions from its provisions and a wild scramble is on to get the honor of framing the amendment.

Representative Hughes (Dem., N. Y.) explained to the House yesterday why his amendment should be adopted. The original Sherman anti-trust law, he said, as far as its objects were concerned, had been a conspicuous and total failure. "Where at the time of the passage of the act there was one trust," said he, "there are now a hundred, fattening on the production of the people of this great nation."

He concluded by saying that 25,000,000 labor men demanded the passage of the proposed amendment, and predicted the defeat of the Republican party at the next election, if the relief was not given.

## WOULD BUILD MONUMENT IN CANADA TO AMERICANS

Representative Peter Porter of New York wants to have a monument built at Fort Erie opposite Niagara Falls on the Canadian side of the river in honor of the soldiers who fought in the battle of Fort Erie in the war of 1812. He is consulting with the Department of War and State as to the proper amount for the memorial and the proper steps for having the monument put on Canadian soil.

Mr. Porter's grandfather, Gen. Peter Porter, led the American forces in the battle of Fort Erie.

## 13 SAGE SENATORS DARE NOT BREATHE LOUD FOR FEAR OF HOODOO 23

That ancient hoodoo number, 13, and its more modern, but no less ominous companion, 23, rest heavily upon the Senate. These cabalistic numbers are encountered in all sorts of fashions, and Senators have to work hard not to permit their superstitious gorge to rise on contact with them.

The latest witchery in connection with one of these numbers deeply concerns Senator Kittredge. He was assigned to seat No. 23 at the outset of this session. Now, he has been beaten for reelection.

It was just twenty-three days, as will be recalled, from the time of Senator Bryan's appointment to succeed Senator Mallory, making a full Senate, when the death of Senator Latimer was announced.

Richardson Has Room No. 13. Thirteen members make up the Senate Committee on Military Affairs, from which Senator La Follette resigned. Senator Richardson of Delaware occupies room 13 on the terrace of the Capitol. It does not seem to worry him.

Senator Daniel of Virginia has seat 13. Still, there are others. Senator Bankhead of Alabama was born on the 13th day of the month. In the Congressional party that attended Senator Proctor's funeral, the other day, were thirteen members.

Senator Owen of Oklahoma defied superstition the other day, on Friday, the 13th of March, by introducing thirteen public building bills. It is expected all luck will pursue them when the House Committee on Public Buildings get hold of them and uses upon them the axe of retrenchment.

No one in the Senate has telephone No. 13. The secretary of the upper

house, Mr. Bennett, is allowed to enjoy this.

Down in the office of Captain McGrew, of the Capitol police, there hibernates a black cat which, tradition says, came to the Capitol Friday, the 13th of December. All sorts of trouble is predicted as the result of its sojourn, but so far none has materialized.

Superstition used to be more rife about the Capitol than it is now, though it has not lost its foothold entirely. In these modern days it is less in vogue than it was at one time. The reason is said to lie in the fact that the building is no longer infested with rats so thickly as it was formerly. In the dead watches of the night the Capitol policeman, tramping about the lonely halls or sitting lonesomely in a chair in corridor or rotunda, was stirred and startled by all manner of creepy noises and manifestations. Ghost stories trooped thick and fast and tales went round of strange revels and gatherings of the spirits of dead and gone statesmen who frequented their old haunts after darkness came on.

Live Rats Not Dead Statesmen. Investigation disclosed the unromantic fact that live rats and not dead statesmen were causing the trouble. Then it was decided to hunt the rats down with ferrets. This was begun two or three years ago, and since then has been undertaken every summer. The result is that the Capitol nowadays is comparatively free from nocturnal disturbances.

Now, if some method can be found to legislate 13 and 23 out of existence or banish them in some fashion, everyone about the big building will breathe easier.

## LAND TITLE INQUIRY PLAN OF CONGRESS

Charges in Sidney Bieber's Case Stir House Members.

A resolution for a Congressional inquiry into the validity of the corporate and individual titles to lands along the Anacostia river will be introduced in the House the early part of this week by Representative Sims of Tennessee.

Mr. Sims' determination to introduce this measure is the outcome of the charges of Senator Carter that Sidney Bieber obtained certain lands along the Anacostia by irregular methods.

Now that Senator Carter has had his say regarding the matter and Mr. Bieber has also said a good deal, Mr. Sims wants to get at the real situation, not only as it regards Mr. Bieber's titles, but also as it concerns the titles of others.

Mr. Bieber refused to discuss the case last night, and contented himself with "I am gratified that the investigation will be had. I have nothing to conceal, and I think it is high time for the public to get the facts in the matter."

Members of the House are also anxious for the investigation. They do not relish the imputation that they did not discharge their duty properly in legislation relating to Mr. Bieber.

The resolution will call for the appointment by the Speaker of a special committee of five men for an investigation.

## KAHN PRESENTS BILL TO RULE CORPORATIONS

Strict regulation of all corporations doing business in the District of Columbia is provided for in a bill introduced in the House yesterday afternoon by Representative Kahn of San Francisco, a member of the District Committee.

It stipulates that by January 30 of each year every corporation engaged in business here shall file with the Recorder of Deeds an annual report, showing its capital stock, the par value of the shares, the address of its place of business, the names and addresses of its trustees and officers, its bonded indebtedness, and the date of the last election of officers.

If there is failure to comply with the law, the Corporation Counsel shall bring suit within sixty days to restrain the offending corporation from doing business in the District.

## REPRESENTATIVE GOULDEN TO ADDRESS U. S. CLERKS

Representative Joseph A. Goulden of New York and other prominent speakers, whose names have not yet been definitely decided upon, will address a public meeting that by January 20 of each year every corporation engaged in business here shall file with the Recorder of Deeds an annual report, showing its capital stock, the par value of the shares, the address of its place of business, the names and addresses of its trustees and officers, its bonded indebtedness, and the date of the last election of officers.

Several bills, providing for the retirement of Government clerks are now pending in Congress.

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## WANT \$10,000,000 FOR COAST FORTS

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If the House Committee on Appropriations accepts the recommendation of its subcommittee on fortifications, the fortifications bill, which will be reported to the House tomorrow afternoon, will carry a total of more than \$10,000,000, of which the greater part will be used for coast defenses and armament on the Pacific coast and in the Hawaiian and Philippine Islands.

In line with the wishes of the War Department, the bill, as usual, will not specify as to what places shall be benefited by the appropriations. It will make lump sum appropriations, to be expended as the department thinks best for the defense of the coast and the islands.

The bill, in its present shape, is far in excess of the fortifications bill of last year, which carried only \$7,000,000. The increase is partly explained by the urgent recommendations of the department and the President that steps be taken to fortify the Pacific ports and coast.

This money, in connection with the bill from the Committee on Naval Affairs for the establishment of a naval station at Pearl Harbor in the Hawaiian Islands, will mean that the Pacific coast and the island possessions will have a fortified strength almost as good, if not quite as good, as that of the Atlantic seaboard.

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## PARTIES TO DIVIDE OVER BROWNSVILLE

Senate Democrats Will Not Reinstate Men As Republicans Would.

Foraker Forces Have Bill Giving Slap to Roosevelt.

Senate Democrats, who have been keeping company with Administration Republicans in the upper house on the Brownsville case, have reached the point where they will part from them. An affinity no longer exists, and the Senate Democrats are prepared to get a divorce.

The difficulty is over the Administration proposition for the reinstatement of such members of the discharged battalion of the Twenty-fifth Infantry as can show to the satisfaction of the Secretary of War and the President that they had no part in the Brownsville rioting.

The President has himself recommended that the time for reinstatement of these members of the Committee on Military Affairs, on the Democratic side, who voted to uphold the Administration in discharging without honor the colored battalion, but of the Democratic Senators generally.

As he result of this attitude of the Senate Democrats, it is likely to be more or less difficult for the Republicans to put through legislation for the reinstatement of the discharged troops. The Republicans themselves are divided. Senator Foraker wants to put through a bill of his own which would deal much more leniently with the discharged soldiers than the Administration desires to do.

Mr. Foraker would reinstate the discharged men and give them back pay and allowances for the entire time they have been out of the service. In other words, Senator Foraker's plan would amount to recognition of the fact that when the men were discharged they were discharged wrongfully and unlawfully, and that it is now desired to make reparation.

Foraker Would Slap President. Senator Foraker's bill, if put through Congress, would amount to a hard slap at the President. For political reasons, on account especially of Taft, the President would like to see the storm aroused among colored voters over the Brownsville affair calmed and smoothed. But he does not want his friends in Congress to go to the point of passing legislation that would amount to saying he was in the wrong.

Under the circumstances, with the Senate Democrats opposed to reinstatement under any circumstances, with the friends of the President favorable to reinstatement under conditions that would not reflect on the first action of the Administration, and with Senator Foraker and his forces planning on legislation that would rebuke the President, it seems likely much will yet be heard of the long-fought controversy over Brownsville.

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## Woes Galore Lie in Raising Of the Maine

Representative J. Adam Bede, the House humorist, wants to know how it would be possible to un-light the Spanish war. Mr. Bede fears that it was all a mistake, that we are going to find it out pretty soon, and that then in good conscience we must undo all that was then done.

Representative Harrison of New York has introduced, and secured favorable report on a resolution to have the wreck of the Maine raised in Havana harbor, and the remains of victims, still in the hulk removed and buried with proper honors. The resolution, according to all accounts, is going to pass.

Now, here is Mr. Bede's argument. We precipitated war with Spain because we believed the Spaniards blew up the Maine. The raising of the hulk will prove whether Spain did it or not; it will demonstrate finally whether an explosion from outside or inside caused the ship to sink. If an outside explosion, then we were all right, but if an inside explosion, then we ought not to have blamed the Spaniards, shouldn't have started war, were all in the wrong at Santiago, made a horrible mistake at Manila bay, couldn't possibly justify ourselves in taking the Philippines, ought never to have attempted to subdue them, couldn't have sent Taft to govern them, and wouldn't thereby have changed a mild-tempered Federal judge into a militant candidate for President.

Incidentally, of course, we wouldn't have made the awful mistake of sending the Rough Riders up San Juan hill, and so wouldn't have made Roosevelt governor, Vice President, and President.

Mr. Bede is seriously meditating a speech to show that to raise the Maine, and incur the danger of having it proved that she was not blown up from outside, is a risk the Government ought not take.

## EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY BILL WILL BE REPORTED FRIDAY

According to the plans of the Judiciary Committee of the House, as expressed yesterday, an employers' liability bill will be reported to the House next Friday.

Although the final shape of the measure has not been agreed upon, it will contain features that will make it a combination of the Knox and La Follette bills. It is now the intention of the committee to consider the measure Wednesday and Friday and to vote on it at noon Friday.

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## CONTROL OF LIQUOR TO OCCUPY SENATE

Committee Hesitates to Interfere With Individual Rights.

One of the matters that will occupy the attention of the Senate, after the Aldrich currency bill is out of the way, will be the proposed legislation to give the States control of liquor shipped into their borders. It is expected no little debate will be aroused over this question.

The subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, which has had before it a number of bills relating to State control of interstate liquor shipments, has completed its hearings, and will report favorably a bill to the main committee Monday, and then it is expected the Judiciary Committee will make a favorable report to the Senate.

Liquor interests are bitterly opposed to any legislation along these lines. They have been fighting it before the subcommittee, and they will have enough support in the Senate, it is believed now, to bring about an interesting fight.

Generally speaking, the Southern Democrats are insistent on getting this legislation. They have the support of a number of Republicans from States that have prohibition or local option laws. The Senate will not divide on partisan lines in the consideration of the Judiciary Committee's bill.

In framing the bill the subcommittee of the Judiciary Committee has had difficulty in seeking to draw the measure to prevent it from interfering with the individual rights of the citizen, who wants to take a drink occasionally, even in a prohibition State, and who sends to some other State to get a case of wet goods shipped in for his own home use.

Efforts have been made to protect the liberties of the citizens in instances of this kind. Under the Constitution, he cannot be barred from getting drinks shipped into the State for his own personal use.

## BILL PROVIDES \$414,000 TO BUY CENSUS OFFICE

By a bill introduced in the House yesterday by Representative Crumpacker of Indiana, chairman of the Committee on Census, \$414,000 is appropriated for the purchase of the building now occupied by the Census Office and the site of this building, including all the land bounded by B, First and Second streets, and the public alley in that square.

For the erection of the building on the part of the land now unoccupied by the office \$20,000 is set aside.

## Bets All Off If New Bill Becomes Law

Campbell of Kansas Drafts Strong Anti-Gambling Measure.

If Congress enacts into law a bill which will be introduced in the House tomorrow by Representative Campbell of Kansas, it will be a dangerous thing for a man to play a game of tiddle-winks or bet on the weather while he has a nickel in his pocket.

When he sees a table of stock quotations he will hurriedly best it to the wall and uncut timbers. If a friend asks him to pass an opinion on the merits of a race horse, he will scream for help and fight the police in his sleep all night.

The Campbell bill, as it has been drawn by its author, prohibits betting on anything from a foot race to a horse race, from a tennis game to a football game, from elections to the chances of Presidential candidates, from a small race to when Mr. Campbell and his subcommittee will report for passage the bill repealing the inflation clause of the Gas Monopoly's charter.

Betting and gambling are made punishable by a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$1,000, or imprisonment of from thirty days to six months, according to the will of a learned and merciless judge.

To bookmakers and poolmakers the same penalty is handed out, and book making shall be regarded as any inducing or encouraging of people to bet, whether the bet is registered or set down on memoranda or not.

The same penalty applies to "bucket shops" in which "futures" are bought and sold, or in which any bargains are made in stocks or bonds or commodities when there is no intention to deliver or receive the commodities.

This bill is the outcome of a meeting of Mr. Campbell's subcommittee of the House District Committee yesterday. The subcommittee decided that the Alton anti-gambling bill was not strong enough in its terms. Therefore, Mr. Campbell got busy and drafted one which he considers strong and good.

In the meantime he says he is going to rush the anti-gambling bill through the House.

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